Government would take action very soon since the two villages have no proper road communications?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—An allotment of Rs. 5,000 was provided in the current year's budget for the work. But the amount had to be transferred to find funds for remission of assessment. Fresh provision will be made in the next year's budget if funds permit.

It is difficult to find out how many times the assurance was given.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—These two villages have no proper road. Do the Government admit that people and students have to walk through paddy fields and lanes and cross small streams and Railway line in order to go to school and the Railway Station ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The urgent necessity for the road is admitted.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know whether they will be able to admit that this is the 23rd time that they give the same assurance ?

Mr. V.K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Many times assurances were given. I cannot admit that this is the 23rd time.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Since the Government transfers sums from the allotted works to other works, will they sympathetically consider and complete it this year itself ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It may not be possible to complete the road this year. But I will submit estimate and if possible allow more funds next year, and complete the roadby the end of 1110.

Expenditure under salary and T. A. of officers in 1108.

88. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) the total amount disbursed as salary to the employees in Government service in 1108; and

(b) the total amount of travelling allowance paid in the above year.

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—(a) Salary:—1108 Rs. 24,40,700 (in round figures).

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(b) Travelling allowance—Rs. 1,40,000 (in round figures).

Insanitary condition of the Vallanghy tank.

89. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(1) whether the condition of the Vallanghy tank in Nemmara has been brought to their notice ;

(2) whether many people do not use that tank for bathing purposes ;

(3) whether the tank is over-grown with green vegetation;

(4) whether it is in insanitary state ;

(5) how long is it since a part of its embankments had given way ;

(6) whether a portion of the embankment had given way this year also?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) Yes.

(2) Yes.
(3) Yes.
(4) Yes.

(5) Some 4 or 5 years back two portions of the embankments gave way ; but they were since repaired.

(6) Yes.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—How long has this tank been in this insanitary condition ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not know. It may be a few years. I want notice.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Now that a Health Department has been established, will the Government be pleased to ask the Head of the Department to see to the sanitary condition of this tank ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

State Guests in 1108.

90. Mr. T. A Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of persons who were entertained as State Guests by the Government in 1108 and the amount spent for the entertainment of each?

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